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FOLLOWING REPEAT GUATEMALA 6086 ACTION

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FROM POLLACK FOR BOWDLER

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SUBJECT: WORKING GROUP ON SCIENCE AND TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY

BEGIN SUMMARY. KEY FACT THAT EMERGED FROM FOREIGN OFFICE DISCUSSIONS IS THAT GUATEMALA EXPECTS GUATEMALAN ORGANIZATION PROPOSAL TO BE ON AGENDA OF SANTIAGO MEETING OF SUBGROUP IV. ACTING FONMIN OBIOLS SAW SIMILARITIES BETWEEN US THINKING AND GUATEMALAN PROPOSAL AND THOUGH THEY COULD BE EASILY RECONCILED. END SUMMARY.

1. CHARGE ANDREWS, POLLACK AND ECONOMIC OFFICER JAMES HOGAN MET IN MORNING WITH GUSTAVO SANTISO, CHIEF, INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND VICE FONMIN OBIOLS. POLLACK MADE FULL PRESENTATION ON ORGANIZATION TALKING POINTS TO SANTISO AND COVERED HIGHLIGHTS OF TALKING POINTS OF US COORDINATING OFFICE.

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PRESENTATION OF FINANCES CONSISTED ONLY OF US VIEWS ON SEPARATE

FUND AND STATEMENT OF GENERAL RECOGNITION THAT ADDITIONAL MONIES MIGHT BE NECESSARY. SANTISO RESPONDED WITH STATEMENT ON GUATEMALAN PROPOSAL PRESENTED AT SUB-GROUP II MEETING IN GUATEMALA. HE DESCRIBED ATTITUDE OF OTHER DELEGATIONS AS SYMPATHETIC AND SAID THAT THEY HAD PROMISED TO PRESENT THE PROPOSAL TO THEIR GOVERNMENTS AND THAT IT WOULD BE DISCUSSED AT THE SANTIAGO MEETING OF SUB-GROUP IV. HE PROVIDED NO REACTION TO US PRESENTATION BUT SAID HE WOULD DO SO NEXT WEEK AFTER CONSULTATION WITH OTHER CONCERNED OFFICIALS.

2. SEPARATE SESSION WITH ACTING FONMIN OBIOLS LASTED ONLY TWENTY MINUTES AND HIGHLIGHTS ONLY OF ORGANIZATION PAPER PRESENTED. OBIOLS RESPONSE TO PRESENTATION WAS POSITIVE AND HE SEEMED TO THINK IT WAS VIABLE. HE SUGGESTED THAT IT WAS COMPATIBLE WITH THE GUATEMALAN PROPOSAL AND THAT IT SHOULD BE POSSIBLE TO RECONCILE THE TWO. HE DESCRIBED AT LENGTH HIS ROLE FOR MANY YEARS AS HEAD OF GEOGRAPHICAL INSTITUTE IN GUATEMALA WHICH IN HIS TERMS WAS SUCCESSFULLY ENGAGED IN TECHNOLOGICAL TRANSFER FROM THE US. HE THOUGHT THAT THE SPECIALIZED INSTITUTES INCORPORATED IN THE GUATEMALAN PROPOSAL COULD PERFORM THE SAME FUNCTION. AS WAS THE CASE WITH THE PAN AMERICAN GEOGRAPHICAL INSTITUTE, OBIOLS SEEMED TO BE SUGGESTING THAT ANY NEW TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER ORGANIZATION COULD BE WITHIN THE OAS SYSTEM YET OPERATE AUTONOMOUSLY.

3. FOLLOWING LUNCHEON HOSTED BY CHARGE ANDREWS WHICH ALL GUATEMALAN PRINCIPALS ATTENDED, POLLACK VISITED INCAP FOR DISCUSSION WITH DIRECTOR MOISES BEHAR AND DR. GUILLERMO ARROYAVE, DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF PHYSIOLOGICAL CHEMISTRY. DISCUSSION WHILE INTERESTING NOT IMMEDIATELY PERTINENT TO MFM INITIATIVE. EMBASSY PREPARING MEMCON WHICH WILL BE SENT TO THE DEPARTMENT SHORTLY.

4. ROCAP (JAMES RILEY) HOSTED EVENING RECEPTION DURING WHICH PRIVATE DISCUSSION HELD WITH SUB-DIRECTOR ICAITI GABRIEL DENG. ABBREVIATED BUT STANDARD PRESENTATION OF TALKING POINTS MADE. HIS RESPONSE INDICATED THAT GUATEMALAN PROPOSAL PREPARED PRINCIPALLY BY NORIEGO AND AGUIRRE, ICAITI DIRECTOR AND NO. 2 MAN RESPECTIVELY WHO WERE UNABLE TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ATTEND RECEPTION OR OTHERWISE MEET WITH POLLACK. DENG REPORTS NORIEGA SOMEWHAT FLEXIBLE BUT AGUIRRE STILL STRONGLY ATTACHED TO THIS PROPOSAL. DENG SAID ICAITI WAS DIVIDED WITH HIMSELF TAKING NEGATIVE VIEW BECAUSE OF PROPOSAL'S MAGNITUDE AND HIS FEAR IT WOULD COMPETE WITH AND POSSIBLY ABSORB ICAITI. HE ALSO PHILOSOPHIZED ON THE DANGERS OF CREATING ANOTHER LARGE BUREAUCRACY, CITING BAD EXPERIENCES WITH OAS. DENG SAID HE WOULD REPORT CONVERSATION TO

NORIEGA AND AGUIRRE AND INFORM ROCAP AND HOGAN NEXT WEEK OF THEIR REACTIONS.

5. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH SANTISO HAD SOME BACKGROUND ON RANGE OF WORKING GROUP ACTIVITIES IT IS CLEAR THAT PRINCIPAL GUATEMALAN INPUT IS PREPARED BY ICAITI OFFICIALS NORIEGA AND AGUIRRE. ALTHOUGH GUATEMALAN PROPOSAL IS WORDY AND GRANDIOSE, NEVERTHELESS THERE MAY BE AN ANALOGY BETWEEN THE WORK CONTEMPLATED BY AD HOC SPECIAL GROUPS IN US PRESENTATION AND SPECIALIZED INSTITUTES IN GUATEMALAN PROPOSAL. KEY TO SUCCESS IN SANTIAGO MAY LIE IN DEVELOPING PROPOSAL THAT MEETS THE ESSENTIAL US OBJECTIVES AND YET APPEARS TO BE BASED ON GUATEMALAN AND MEXICAN PROPOSALS AND TO ACCOMMODATE BRAZILIAN THINKING AS PRESENTED TO BOWDLER IN BRASILIA DURING HIS VISIT.

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